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1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT CONCLUSION OF THAI PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE PHILIPPINES, FEBRUARY 20-23, AS PUBLISHED BY PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY. COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED "HOPE" FOR AN END TO VIETNAM-KAMPUCHEA CONFLICT, "DESIRE" FOR IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH INDOCHINESE COUNTRIES, AND "ENCOURAGEMENT" AT RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN RELATIONS. COMMUNIQUE ALSO EXPRESSED "SERIOUS CONCERN" ABOUT PROTECTIONIST TENDENCIES OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND "STRONG SUPPORT" FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' EFFORTS TOWARD NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER. STATEMENT POINTED OUT "NEED FOR FURTHER INITIATIVES" TO STRENGTHEN ASEAN AND "SATISFACTION" ABOUT BILATERAL RELATIONS. END SUMMARY.

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2. BEGIN TEXT:
(1) AT THE INVITATION OF HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FERDINAND E. MARCOS, HIS EXCELLENCY PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK CHOMANAN OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND PAID AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE PHILIPPINES ON 20-23 FEBRUARY 1978. THE PRIME MINISTER WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MADAME VIRAT CHOMANAN; HIS EXCELLENCY DR. UPADIT

PACHIRYANGKUN, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS; HIS EXCELLENCY GEN. SHURAKIJ MAYALARP, MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS; HIS EXCELLENCY MR. PRIDA KARNASUT, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES; HIS EXCELLENCY MR. NAM PHOONWATHU, MINISTER OF COMMERCE; HIS EXCELLENCY MR. SOMPORN PUNYAGUPTA, MINISTER OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; HIS EXCELLENCY MR. KASAME CHATIKAVANIJ, MINISTER OF INDUSTRY; HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL PREM TINSULANONDA, DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERIOR; AND OTHER HIGH-RANKING MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT.

(2) PRESIDENT AND MRS. MARCOS, TOGETHER WITH MEMBERS OF THE CABINET AND HIGH OFFICIALS OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT WELCOMED PRIME MINISTER AND MADAME KRIANGSAK IN THE ARRIVAL CEREMONIES AT THE MANILA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

(3) ABOARD THE PRESIDENTIAL YACHT, RPS ANG PANGULO, THE TWO HEADS OF GOVERNMENT EXCHANGED VIEWS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. THE TALKS WERE CONDUCTED IN THE TRADITIONAL SPIRIT OF CORDIALITY AND WARM FRIENDSHIP WHICH EXIST BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLE OF THAILAND AND THE PHILIPPINES.

(4) THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESIDENT REITERATED THEIR STRONG SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS MADE BY DEVELOPING UNCLASSIFIED

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COUNTRIES TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER ON THE BASIS OF RESPECT FOR THE NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY OF EACH COUNTRY AND ON THE BASIS OF EQUITABLE ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS AMONG ALL COUNTRIES.

(5) THE TWO LEADERS EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN OVER THE INCREASING PROTECTIONIST TENDENCIES IN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WHICH WERE CREATING BARRIERS TO THE ENTRY OF THE PRODUCTS OF THAILAND AND THE PHILIPPINES INTO THESE MARKETS. THEY AGREED THAT THEIR TWO GOVERNMENTS WOULD COOPERATE AND COORDINATE WITH EACH OTHER IN TAKING SUCH APPROPRIATE MEASURES THAT WOULD LEAD TO THE ELIMINATION OF THESE BARRIERS, AND ENSURE BETTER ACCESS OF THEIR PRODUCTS IN THESE MARKETS.

(6) THE TWO LEADERS NOTED THAT THE CONCLUSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SUGAR AGREEMENT WOULD GREATLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE STABILITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL SUGAR MARKET AT RENUMERATIVE PRICE LEVELS, AND AGREED THAT THEIR TWO GOVERNMENTS WOULD COOPERATE CLOSELY TO ENSURE THAT THE INTEREST OF THEIR COUNTRIES WOULD BE FULLY

TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN ATTAINING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE AGREEMENT.

(7) THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESIDENT REAFFIRMED THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE OBJECTIVES OF THE ASEAN DECLARATION, THE KUALA LUMPUR DECLARATION AND THE DECLARATION OF ASEAN CONCORD AS THE BASES FOR MORE VIGOROUS ASEAN COOPERATION. THEY ALSO AGREED ON THE NEED FOR FURTHER INITIATIVES TO HASTEN THE DEVELOPMENT OF ASEAN INTO A STRONG, COHESIVE REGIONAL ORGANIZATION.

NOTING THE RAPID GROWTH OF ASEAN EXTERNAL RELATIONS, THEY EXPRESSED OF THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL OBJECTIVES OF ASEAN.

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(8) PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK AND PRESIDENT MARCOS EXCHANGED VIEWS ON DEVELOPMENT IN THE INDOCHINA STATES. THEY EXPRESSED THE HOPE FOR AN END TO THE ARMED CONFLICT BETWEEN THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AND DEMOCRATIC

KAMPUCHEA.

THEY SHARED THE VIEW THAT PROMPT PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE CONFLICT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ON MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TERMS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE REGION.

(9) THE TWO HEADS OF GOVERNMENT REITERATED THEIR DESIRE TO STRENGTHEN FURTHER THE DEVELOPING RELATIONS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES WITH INDOCHINA STATES ON THE BASIS OF RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER'S INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, NON-AGGRESSION, NON-INTERFERENCE IN EACH OTHER'S EXTERNAL (SIC) AFFAIRS, EQUALITY, MUTUAL BENEFIT AND PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE. THEY WERE ENCOURAGED BY RECENT DEVELOPMENT IN THIS DIRECTION.

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(10) IN REVIEWING THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONS, PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK AND PRESIDENT MARCOS NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT THAI-PHILIPPINE TIES CONTINUED TO REMAIN STRONG AND CLOSE. THEY AGREED TO CONTINUE THEIR COOPERATION IN DEALING WITH PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL INTEREST THROUGH CLOSE CONSULTATION AND EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION.

(11) IN THE INTEREST OF FURTHER STRENGTHENING THEIR RELATIONS, THE TWO LEADERS AGREED TO CONCLUDE A TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT. THEY ALSO AGREED TO CREATE A JOINT TRADE AND ECONOMIC COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER MEASURES FOR INCREASING THEIR TRADE AND ECONOMIC EXCHANGES.

(12) THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESIDENT ALSO AGREED TO EXAMINE AREAS OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION FOR MUTUAL BENEFIT, ESPECIALLY IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY.

IN THIS REGARD, THEY NOTED THE SIMILARITY IN THEIR ENERGY PROBLEMS. SINCE BOTH COUNTRIES WERE DEPENDENT ON IMPORTED PETROLEUM, THEY AGREED TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION ON PETROLEUM AND ITS UTILIZATION, AND ON OTHER COMMERCIAL ASPECTS OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY, INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL PETROLEUM ORGANIZATIONS AS WELL AS POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

(13) RECOGNIZING THE URGENT NEED TO EXPLORE NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY IN THE LIGHT OF THE INCREASING COST OF FOSSIL-BASED FUEL, THE TWO LEADERS PLEDGED TO COOPERATE IN JOINT RESEARCH IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY FUEL.

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(14) DURING HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE PHILIPPINES,
PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK VISITED BAGUIO CITY WHERE HE
WAS ACCORDED FULL HONORS AT THE PHILIPPINE MILITARY
ACADEMY.

(15) PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK EXPRESSED HIS DEEP APPRECIATION
FOR THE CORDIAL WELCOME EXTENDED TO HIM AND TO MEMBERS
OF HIS PARTY BY PRESIDENT AND MRS. MARCOS AND FOR THE
WARM HOSPITALITY OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE DURING HIS
VISIT TO THE PHILIPPINES.

THE PRIME MINISTER INVITED PRESIDENT AND MRS.
MARCOS TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THAILAND AT
A TIME CONVENIENT FOR BOTH GOVERNMENTS. PRESIDENT
MARCOS AND MRS. MARCOS ACCEPTED THE INVITATION WITH
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